

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[4910-EX-P]

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2018-0180]

Hours of Service of Drivers: Application for Exemption; Extension of Comment Period; Small Business in Transportation Coalition

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On June 5, 2018, FMCSA published a notice of exemption application for the Small Business in Transportation Coalition (SBTC), requesting an exemption from the electronic logging device (ELD) requirements for all motor carriers with fewer than 50 employees. (83 FR 26140.) Due to reported technical difficulty with the on-line filing of comments for several days, the comment period is being extended to July 16, 2018, to ensure that all commenters have an opportunity to submit their on-line comments.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 16, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Number FMCSA-2018-0180 by any of the following methods:

- <u>Federal eRulemaking Portal:</u> www.regulations.gov. See the <u>Public Participation</u> and <u>Request for Comments</u> section below for further information.
- <u>Mail</u>: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200
 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140,
 Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200
 New Jersey Avenue, SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- <u>Fax</u>: 1-202-493-2251
- Each submission must include the Agency name and the docket number for this
 notice. Note that DOT posts all comments received without change to
 www.regulations.gov, including any personal information included in a comment.
 Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

<u>Docket</u>: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to www.regulations.gov at any time or visit Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The on-line FDMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year.

<u>Privacy Act</u>: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <u>www.regulations.gov</u>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information concerning this notice, contact Mr. Tom Yager, Chief, FMCSA Driver and Carrier Operations Division; Office of Carrier, Driver and Vehicle Safety Standards; Telephone: 614-942-6477. E-mail: MCPSD@dot.gov. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, contact Docket Services, telephone (202) 366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation and Request for Comments

FMCSA encourages you to participate by submitting comments and related materials.

Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (FMCSA-2018-0180), indicate the specific section of this document to which the comment applies, and provide a reason for suggestions or recommendations. You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an e-mail address, or a phone number in the body of your document so the Agency can contact you if it has questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comments online, go to www.regulations.gov and put the docket number, "FMCSA-2018-0180" in the "Keyword" box, and click "Search." When the new screen appears, click on "Comment Now!" button and type your comment into the text box in the following screen. Choose whether you are submitting your comment as an individual or on behalf of a third party and then submit. If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11

inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit comments by mail and would like to know that they reached the facility, please enclose a stamped, self-

addressed postcard or envelope. FMCSA will consider all comments and material

received during the comment period and may grant or not grant this application based on

your comments.

Issued on: July 2, 2018.

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